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1. On the subject of the defection of ILYINSKIY and OVCHINNIKOV, [] has received the following report dated 16 March 1959 from an ODAID official in Munich:

"Some time ago I mentioned to you that an anonymous source was preparing for me a typewritten memorandum in the Russian language on the background of the defection of Ilinsky and Ovchinnikov last October. The source is a Russian who has been described to me by reliable persons as a man of integrity. He asked that his identity not be revealed and I have agreed to that request because he seems to have played no role in the events recounted below.

"A translation of the memorandum is as follows:

"On the evening of November 24th, 1958 (this is apparently an error; the source must have meant to say October rather than November) Ilinsky, at the invitation of one Vlasenko and of the Frankfurt cadre leader of the NTS Viktor Gumenik and his wife Maria, came from Radio Liberation to the apartment of one Vlasenko (Siedlung am Hart).

"As told to me by an acquaintance who happened to be present in Vlasenko's apartment on this occasion, the conversation of Ilinsky with Viktor Gumenik and the latter's wife kept on until 12:15 a.m. In the course of this conversation Ilinsky several times got up as if to go home, but each time Vlasenko and Gumenik insisted that he stay saying that they would drive him home.

"At 12:15 a.m. all left the apartment; Ilinsky entered the automobile, a "Volkswagen" belonging to Gumenik. The wife of Gumenik also entered the car and they drove away, but Vlasenko returned alone. After this, Ilinsky was never again seen either at work or at home, but after several days he and Ovchinnikov turned up in East Berlin with the Committee for Return to the Homeland.

"When this became known in Munich, and that Ilinsky spent his last evening with Vlasenko and rode away in the company of Gumenik, my friend informed me that more than a year previously in Frankfurt one of the NTS workers Vasilii Demidov had said to him that according to the story of an American, Gumenik was a Soviet agent and Demidov should be careful about him.

"All of the above story was related to me by an acquaintance who explicitly desires that his name not be revealed.

"Being well acquainted with the NTS, the role of the cadre leaders of the NTS and with Gumenik, it is my opinion: (1) If Gumenik actually is a Soviet agent, a higher ranking member of the NTS is controlling him and (2) If in fact Gumenik is a Soviet agent then Vlasenko is also one and, if this be true, Ilinsky's appearance in East Berlin was not entirely voluntary.

"Because this was merely told to me by an acquaintance, I

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<p>cannot undertake to confirm it but I would also not undertake to deny the truthfulness of what was told me. I consider this a fact deserving of attention and painstaking clarification. As a private person I am not able to undertake this."</p> <p>2. This version corresponds rather closely to that reported in EGNA 16216 of 1 December 1958, in reply to which (EGOA 2596, 23 December 1958) Frankfurt further identifies Nikolay VLASSENKO and Victor GUMENYUK. Note that in EGOA 2596 the observation is made that there appears to be nothing sinister in the whole incident as far as GUMENYUK is concerned, and that no objection would be interposed to having the BfV interview GUMENYUK. These latter observations are made for the benefit of BGACTRESS who was not listed as an information addressee on either EGNA 16216 or EGOA 2596.</p>		
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